Response to Response/Election Requirement U.S. APPLN. NO. 10/019,249

REMARKS

Claims 13 and 19 are canceled. Claims 1, 4-6, 10-12, 14-18 and 20 are amended to correct informalities in the claims and claim 1 is further amended to delete the non-elected subject matter. Claim 21 is added. Support for claim 21 can be found in the original claims. Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1, 4-6, 10-12, 14-18 and 20-21 will be all the claims pending in the Office Action.

In response to the restriction/election requirement set forth in the Office Action dated August 5, 2002, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute Group II, claims 1-3 and 7-9 drawn to piperidine compounds. Further Applicants elect compound 41 as a species of the claimed compounds. All pending claims read on the elected species.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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